

# *Light Assistance*

*Supporting your active demonstration*

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

**Q:** Is Light Assistance the same as Assisted Living?

**A:** They share many similarities in regards to the care that is received. However, Assisted Living is typically a residential program while Light Assistance supports healing in order to return home or to another permanent residence such as the BA's Independent Living program.

**Q:** Is there a time limit to my stay?

**A:** The length of stay is based on the individual's need rather than a time restriction.

**Q:** Will insurance pay for Light Assistance?

**A:** Some health insurance and long-term care insurance may pay for it, but you should always review your policy or check with your insurance company for verification.

**Q:** Does Medicare cover Light Assistance?

**A:** No, Light Assistance does not qualify for Medicare coverage.

**Q:** May I bring a pet?

**A:** At this time we are unable to accommodate pets, although we do welcome them as visitors!



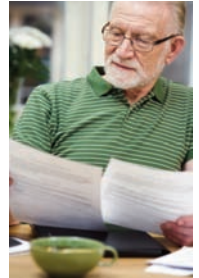
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**Q:** May I bring my own furnishings?

**A:** Furnishings are provided, but you're welcome to bring small personal items such as photos or even a favorite quilt or pillow. Also, your own books for daily study, although you'll have access to the BA's library of Christian Science books and periodicals.

**Q:** Is financial assistance/benevolence available for Light Assistance?

**A:** Yes, financial assistance from our Benevolence Fund is available to eligible individuals. Other sources of financial assistance are available to cover Christian Science nursing costs at the BA.



## HOW TO APPLY

Step 1: Give us a call at 617-734-5600, or email [csnursing@chbenevolent.org](mailto:csnursing@chbenevolent.org), and request an application form

Step 2: Email, fax or mail it:

Email: [csnursing@chbenevolent.org](mailto:csnursing@chbenevolent.org)

Fax: 617-975-2791

Mail: Chestnut Hill Benevolent Association  
910 Boylston Street  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

Att.: Director of Christian Science Nursing

<sup>1</sup> Hymn 10 from the *Christian Science Hymnal*

<sup>2</sup> *Manual of The Mother Church* by Mary Baker Eddy, Art. VIII, Sect. 31

<sup>3</sup> *The Christian Science Journal*

*Chestnut Hill Benevolent Association provides a refuge and services that minister to the needs of mankind with Christian Science nursing.*

*“All power is given unto our Lord, on Him we place reliance”<sup>1</sup>*

Christian Science nursing is a *Manual*-based<sup>2</sup> spiritual ministry providing loving care to individuals relying on God for healing. Its expansive services include care and support to those requiring light assistance with daily needs. Our Light Assistance program offers affordable care based on the individual assistance required.

Light Assistance guests stay in private, well-appointed, light-filled rooms designed to support healing and ease with daily activities. Guests also experience a sense of community within the Christian Science Nursing Building's Light Assistance wing. Sunday church services and mid-week testimony meetings are held in this confidential community setting. Daily and weekly services such as served meals in the Light Assistance dining room, daily bed-making, and weekly housekeeping and laundry, are provided in addition to assistance with dressing, personal care, and mobility: services and assistance that in general require less than three hours of Christian Science nursing care per day.

Light Assistance services are provided within the healing refuge of the BA's modern Christian Science Nursing Building under the supervision of a Christian Science nurse listed in the *Journal*.<sup>3</sup> Guests may partially furnish their rooms with personal belongings, or maintain the current decor. This cheerful and ordered environment hosts a full spectrum of daily activity and supports individual study and prayerful work.

*“Thank you for the loving care you gave me. All the nurses were kind and patient. I did not think your bill would be so reasonable for the type of care I received. Keep up the good work.”*

*“Rejoice, ye people, praise His name, His care doth e'er surround us”<sup>1</sup>*

*“That first night you could just feel the healing atmosphere in Mom's room. I'm so grateful to have been a witness to the love and healing that took place in that room and continues to take place.”*

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## SERVICES AND RATES

### *Level 1 Services & Assistance:*

- Private furnished room
- 3 meals served daily in the Light Assistance dining room
- Daily bed-making
- Weekly housekeeping and laundry
- Group activities such as hymn sings, in-house church services, films, and discussion groups
- 24-hour availability for light assistance with personal care and minimal mobility needs

Level 1 cost: \$160/day\*

### *Level 2 Additional Services & Assistance:*

- In-room tray service
- Assistance with meals
- Additional assistance with personal care
- Daily reminders and assistance with communication needs

Level 2 cost: \$50/day additional (\$210 total per day)\*

*\*Rates subject to change*

